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Dear Sir,

I send herein enclosed for favour of information of Government, copy of my letter to the President, Retrenchment Committee, in respect of certain proposals of retrenchments in this Department.

Yours Sincerely,

J V Karve

To
T. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Submitted for perusal
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Bangalore, (S. India), dated....2nd....April.....1931.

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Dear Sir,

I am in due receipt of your D.O.Letter No. 29-49, dated the 26th March 1931, asking me to send a short statement showing how the activities of the Department could be re-adjusted in order to work up to a certain percentage of saving, as compared with the present level of expenditure

2. To consider this question, it would be necessary take into account the salient features which differentiate the Department of Health from other Departments, so far as the possibilities of retrenchment are concerned. We are, as it were, at parting of the ways; and to go back or to stagnate, would spell an irretrievable loss of momentum.

3. As you are doubtless aware the Health Department connoted, until very recently, an application of statutory Regulations and the rules thereunder for the maintenance of sanitation. The initiative was largely the concern of the Local Bodies. The Departmental activity was mostly confined to the prevention of epidemics when they did actually break out, and for the rest, the Department was purely advisory. Real progress under such conditions was not substantial and it has been the aim of Government for a long time to re-model the Department, so that a more direct, active and effective Health work is done throughout the State.

4. With this object in view the Rockefeller Foundation of New York was invited to extend its co-operation with Government, to place the Departmental work on the most mode

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modern and recognised scientific lines. Government accordingly sanctioned in their Order No. G. 6680-730, San. 55-27-34 dated the 28th November 1929, the re-organisation of the Department, embracing however, only the more urgent of the needs. We have now two officers of the Foundation working with us, under a mutual agreement between the Government and the Foundation.

5. The Foundation not only placed two experts free at the disposal of the Government, but also made money contributions. It contributed for the development of the Rural Health Unit Rs. 5,000/- a year, for 2 years, and for experimental malaria stations, an equal sum for the same period. The Foundation also furnished a total of Rs. 20,000/- to the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering for three years. Further they provided three Fellowships in Public Health to three of our young men, each costing over Rs. 10,000/-.

6. The scope of work will be evident from the following plan which has been, or is being worked out.

I. Separation of the Health Department from the Medical Department.

II. Organisation of the following six Bureaus for the present.

(a) Bureau of Administration.
(b) Bureau of Vital Statistics.
(c) Bureau of Epidemiology & Communicable Diseases.
(d) Bureau of Laboratories.
(e) Bureau of Health Education.
(f) Bureau of Rural Health
(g) Bureau of Sanitary Engineering.

The organisation of other Bureaus such as Child Welfare, Venereal Diseases, Tuberculosis, Social Hygiene, Industrial Hygiene, have been kept in view, pending funds becoming available.

7. The essential difference between the work that is projected and progress achieved so far, and that which obtained prior to the re-organisation of the Department is one of results. I need only instance definite progress so far made, in the mass treatment of Hookworm in certain endemic areas, in starting of experimental malaria stations and malaria control work in certain selected areas including Bangalore and Mysore Cities, in the demonstration of Rural Health Work in Mandya Taluk, in the employment of the latest methods in the control work of cholera &c., in the development of the Vaccine and Public Health Institutes.

8. In the light of the foregoing, it will, I trust, be clear how extremely difficult a problem it is for me to suggest any retrenchment whatsoever.

9. I quite realise, the interest of the State as a whole, is more paramount than that of any of its Unit Departments. If therefore this Department has at all to make its humble contribution towards retrenchment, I could only suggest, though most reluctantly, to suspend during the coming year the entertainment of certain establishments, and to defer the initiation of additional Bureaus, as per enclosed tatement.

The savings thus effected will amount to Rs. 10,896 representing 9.8 per cent of the proposed budget estimate on salaries, for the coming year.

It is probable that there will acrue savings under contingencies and Travelling Allowance following the holding up of certain appointments and by judicious control. I would put this figure at Rs. 2,000/-.

10. In this computation, the figures relating to the Vaccine Institute are omitted, since this Institution for

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for all practicable purposes is a self supporting Unit and no retrenchment could be effected without at the same time, reducing its productive (income-earning) capacity and impairing the potency of the Vaccine. The grant under Plague and other Epidemic Charges is also not considered as being too in-elastic for purposes of reduction.

For the same reason the expenditure budgetted for the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering is also not taken for calculation.

11. I need only add that in view of the measurable progress that this Department has been able to show within a short period of two years, I have every confidence that I can count upon your full support in retaining the Departmental finances unimpaired.

I shall be glad to furnish any further information when I am called in before the Committee.

Yours Sincerely,
Sd.J.V.Karve.

Diwan Bahadur Rajasabhabhushana
K.S.Chandrasekharaiyer, B.A., B.L.,
Retired Chief Justice & President,
Retrenchment Committee, Bangalore.

" C O P Y "

Director of Health

No.	Section & Name of post	Amount	Remarks.
1.	I. Bureau of Administration.		
	Typist 1 on Rs. 35/- p.m.	420/- ✓	For this Bureau a stenographer on Rs. 50/- and a typist on Rs.35/- have been sanctioned. The stenographer has not yet been appointed Government have been addressed and their orders are awaited. The typist's post is now held by a temporary hand. The work cannot be managed without a stenographer and keep in suspence the appointment of the typist clerk. This would effect a saving of Rs. 420/- a year.
2.	II. Public Health Institute.		
	(a) Savings on a chemist @ Rs.50/- per month.	600/- ✓	Chemist on Rs. 150/-, 2 attendants on Rs. 20/- each and a peon on Rs. 15/- have been sanctioned. Proposals have been submitted to Government for a chemist on a reduced scale of Rs. 100/-.
	(b) Savings on a Laboratory Attendant, @ Rs 20/- per month.	240/- ✓	I am agreeable to retrench the post of one attendant. The savings due to reduced pay of the chemist and one attendant retrenched would be Rs. 840/-.
3.	IV. District Charges.		
	Health Officers (2nd class)		
	(a) Mr. J.A.Iswaramurthi O.C.D. @ minimum Rs. 200/- per month.	4,800/- ✓	I am agreeable to keep these posts vacant for one year (1931-32).
	(b) Dr.C.V.Natarajan O.C.D. @ minimum Rs. 200/- per month.		
	(c) Publicity Officer on Rs. 100/- per month.	1,200/-	Government have ordered these places being kept vacant for one year (1931-32). ✓
	(d) Stenographer at Rs. 50/- per month	600/-	
	(e) Clerk at Rs. 35/- per month	420/-	
	(f) Peon at Rs. 11/- per month.	132/-	
	(g) 4 Sweepers @ 12 each p.m.	864/-	Ths staff is not entertained though sanctioned. I am agreeable therefore to keep these posts vacant for one year (1931-32).
	(h) 2 Peons at Rs. 12/- each p.m. of Rural Health Unit, Mandya		
	(i) The clerical staff of the Health Probationers of Bangalore and Hassan @ Rs. 30/- each per month	720	I am agreeable to abolish these posts. But I have no opportunities to abolish them. They are permanent and have to be absorbed somewhere.

No.	Section & Name of post	Amount v	Remarks.
(j)	One Health Officer 3rd class on Rs. 75-5-100-10-200 Mr Muniswamy on duty in Hookworm Unit. Minimum pay	900/-	This officer will be completing 30 years of service in May 1932. I would recommend his premature retirement from 1st July 1931. The period wanting to complete his 30 years of service may under article 288 of Mysore Service Regulations be condoned and be given the full pension admissible.
	Total	10,896	

The proposed Budget Estimate for the year 1931-32 on salaries only is Rs. 1,10,610 (excluding Vaccine Institute

Savings 9.8 per cent or nearly 10 per cent

Director of Health.